

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method and apparatus for detecting information recorded as a phase-modulated wobble along a track of an optical disk, whereby a reference phase section is  
5 recorded with wobble having a predetermined reference phase and whereby respective polarities of phase integration values obtained by synchronous detection of phase-modulated unit sections following the reference phase section, in a playback wobble signal, are compared  
10 with the polarity of a reference phase integration value obtained for the reference phase section, to thereby detect respective bit states expressed by the phase-modulated unit sections.